GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA ABSTRACT

Tribal Welfare Department - Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 (Central Act 2/2007) and Rules, 2007 - Constitution of Telangana State Level Monitoring Committee - Orders - Issued.

TRIBAL WELFARE (LTR.) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.18.

<u>Dated 19-09-2015</u> Read the following:

- 1. From the Ministry of Law and Justice, Leg. Dept, GOI, New Delhi, Gazette No.2 of 2007 dated January, 2, 2007 / Pausa 12, 1928
- 2. From the Joint Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, New Delhi Notification dated 31.12.07 (F.No.17014/2/07-PC&V (Vol.VII)
- 3. G.O.Ms.No.4, Social Welfare (LTR.1) Department, dated 21.1.2008
- 4. Government of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, New Delhi Notification dated 06.09.2012 Amendment Rules, 2012 issued

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ORDER:-

In the reference 1st read above, the Ministry of Law and Justice, Legislative Department, Government of India, New Delhi have published the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 (No.2 of 2007) in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part II. In the letter 2nd read above, Government of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, New Delhi appointed the 31st day of December, 2007 as the date on which the provision of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act 2006 (No.2 of 2007) shall come into force. The Government of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs have issued the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Rules, 2007 and published in Part.II Extraordinary Gazette of India dated 01.01.2008.

- 2. Section 6 (7) of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 (Central Act No.2 of 2007) provides for constitution of State Level Monitoring Committee (SLMC) to monitor the process of recognition and vesting of Forest Rights and to submit to the Nodal Agency such returns and reports as may be called by the Nodal Agency. Under rule 9 of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Rules, 2007, the Government have constituted the State Level Monitoring Committee.
- 3. Accordingly, a State Level Monitoring Committee was constituted vide reference 3rd read above in the erstwhile State of Andhra Pradesh, which has been bifurcated into the States of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana. Accordingly, State Level Monitoring Committee (SLMC) has to be constituted for the State of Telangana with the official members under Section 6 (7) of RoFR Act, 2006.
- 4. Government of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, New Delhi notified the Amended rules vide reference 4th read above, giving emphasis in implementation of FRA, 2006 by coordination of all the implementing Departments like Rural Development etc. in the upliftment of Forest Dwelling STs and Traditional Forest Dwellers under FRA, 2006. The amended rules provided for reporting of the functions of the State Level Monitoring Committee (SLMC) on Quarterly basis instead of Half Yearly to the Central Government / Nodal Agency.

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5. In pursuance of the above facts, the Government hereby constitute the State Level Monitoring Committee (SLMC) under Rule 9 of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Rules, 2007 with the following official Members:-

i)	Chief Secretary	 Chairperson
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ii)	Spl.Chief Secy / Prl.Secy / Secy	 Member
	to Govt., Panchayat Raj Dept	
iii)	Spl.Chief Secy / Prl.Secy / Secy	 Member
	to Govt., Rural Development	
	Dept	
iv)	Spl.Chief Secy / Prl.Secy / Secy	 Member
	to Govt., Revenue Dept	
V)	Spl.Chief Secy / Prl.Secy / Secy	 Member
	to Govt., Tribal Welfare Dept	
vi)	Principal Chief Conservator of	 Member
	Forests / Chief Conservator of	
	Forests	
vii)	Commissioner, R & R Dept	Member
viii)	3 ST Members of Tribal Advisory	 Members
	Council to be nominated by the	
	Chairman, TAC & Minister (TW)	
ix)	Commissioner / Director of	 Member Secretary /
	Tribal Welfare	Convenor

- 6. The State Level Monitoring Committee shall look after the following functions for effective implementation of FRA, 2006:
 - (a) Device criteria and indicators for monitoring the process of recognition and vesting of rights
 - (b) Meet atleast once in three months to monitor the process of recognition, verification and vesting of forest rights
 - (c) Furnish a quarterly report and to consider and address the field level problems in the prescribed format and such returns and reports as may be called for by the nodal agency
 - (d) To specifically monitor compliance of the provisions contained in clause (m) of sub-section (i) of section 3 and sub-section 8 of section 4 of the Act
 - (e) On receipt of notice as mentioned in section 8 of the Act, take appropriate action against the concerned authorities under the Act
 - (f) Monitor resettlement under sub-section **2** of section 4 and take action against violation of the provisions under sub-section (5) of section **4** of the Act
 - (g) To ensure monitoring of the scheme relating to land improvement, land productivity, basic amenities, other livelihood measures provided to the claimants and community under Rule 16.

The Commissioner / Director of Tribal Welfare, Telangana State being the Member Secretary / Convenor of the State Level Monitoring Committee (SLMC) shall take necessary action for convening the meetings of the said Committee.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

G.D.ARUNA SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (TW)

To

The Chief Secretary to Govt., Telangana State, Hyderabad The Spl.CS / Prl.Secy / Secy to Govt., Panchayat Raj Dept The Spl.CS / Prl.Secy / Secy to Govt., Rural Development Dept The Spl.CS / Prl.Secy / Secy to Govt., Revenue Dept The Prl.Chief Conservator of Forests / CCF, Hyderabad The Commissioner, R & R Dept, Hyderabad

The Commissioner / Director of Tribal Welfare, Hyderabad

All Non-official Members / All District Collectors of Telangana State

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